FISCAL NOTE

HB 2037

May 29, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Waives franchise and excise taxes for any business involved in the production of natural gas within the state if the value of the gas or the infrastructure used in the production of the gas exceeds \$100,000. The bill also provides that any business whose tax liability is waived under the provisions of this bill would have first priority in the use of transmission lines for natural gas in the state. Bill would take effect July 1, 1998.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 in FY98-99

Assumes a decrease in franchise and excise tax collections due to the waiver. Also assumes that companies not currently engaged in gas production who invest \$100,000 in infrastructure would be eligible for the waiver of all franchise and excise taxes.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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